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HIDESHIGE AIBA

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For: AIR CLARIFYING APPARATUS AND AIR  
CLARIFYING METHOD

Art Unit: 1724

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the form PTO/SB/08A which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2001-259470 A published by Japan Patent Office on September 25, 2001;

B. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2000-140688 A published by Japan Patent Office on May 23, 2000;

C. Publication titled, "Bactericidal Effect of the Combined Gases of Negative Air Ions and Ozone", pages 713 to 722, written by Yasuhiro Tanimura et al. and published in Japan by Antibacterial and Antifungal Agents in 1999; and

D. Publication titled, "Food Sterilization Technology Using Negative Air Ions and Ozone", pages 17 to 21, written by Tetsuo Watabe et al. and published in Japan by CMP

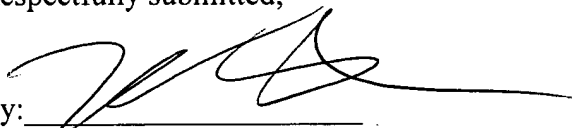
Japan in 1998.

The above-listed relevant art A through D are not in the English language, and English translation of each one of these relevant art is not available at this time to the undersigned, and such translation is not attached hereto. The concise explanation of the relevance of each one of these relevant art is, however, incorporated in the specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3)(i). Nonetheless, an English language abstract is attached to each one of the relevant art A and B and is contained in the relevant art C.

Accordingly, it is hereby respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the examination.

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